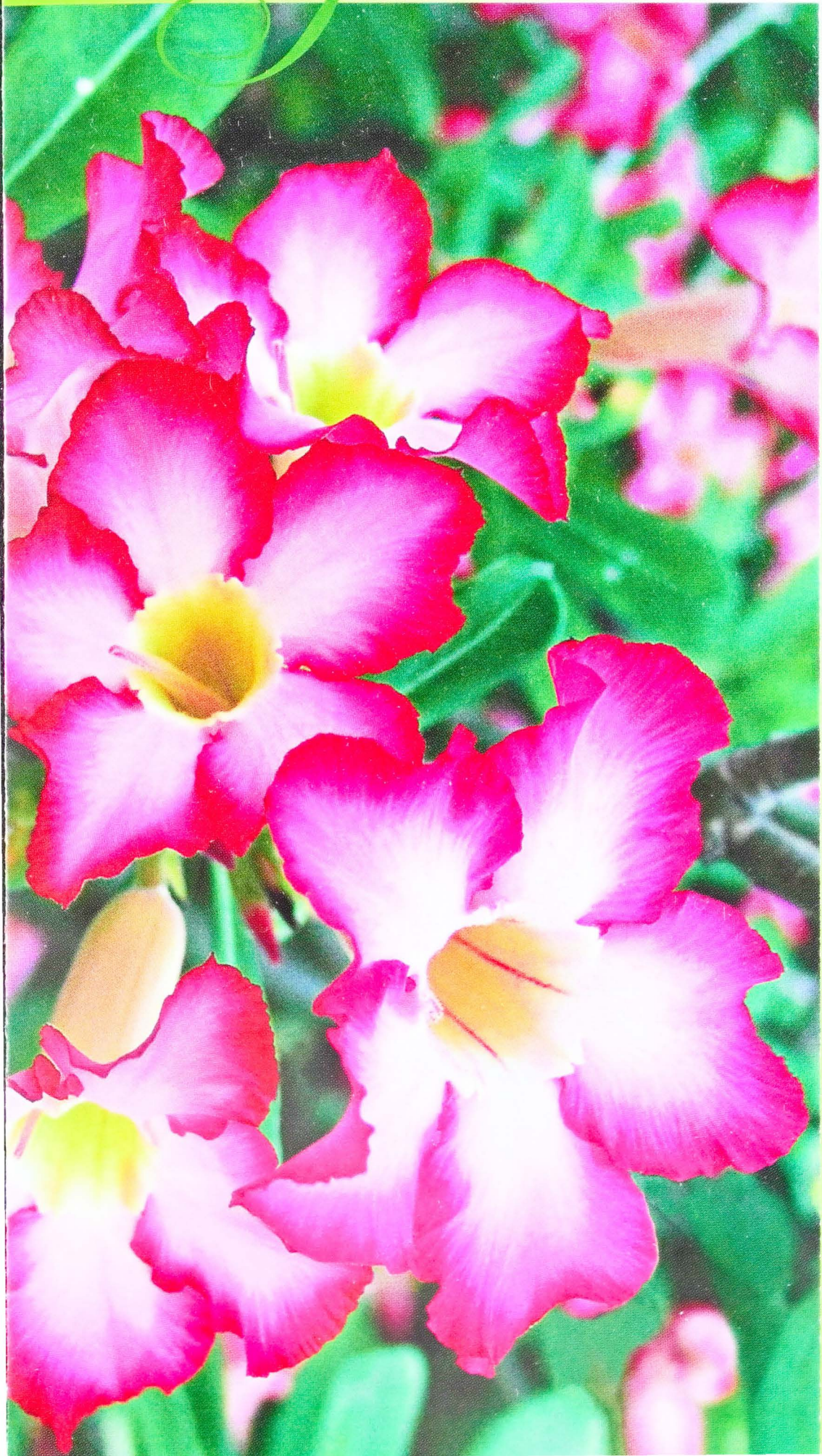


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Kanapaha Botanical Gardens



THE SUMMER HOUSE



Kanapaha's visitors and education center, the Summer House, has conference facilities and a gift shop. The gardens and Summer House are available for rental for weddings and other social functions.



Celebrating the immense beauty and diversity of our planet's flora.

The Gardens takes its name from its proximity to 250-acre Lake Kanapaha. The word Kanapaha (Kuh-NAP-uh-hah) is derived from two Timuqua Indian words that mean “palmetto leaves” and



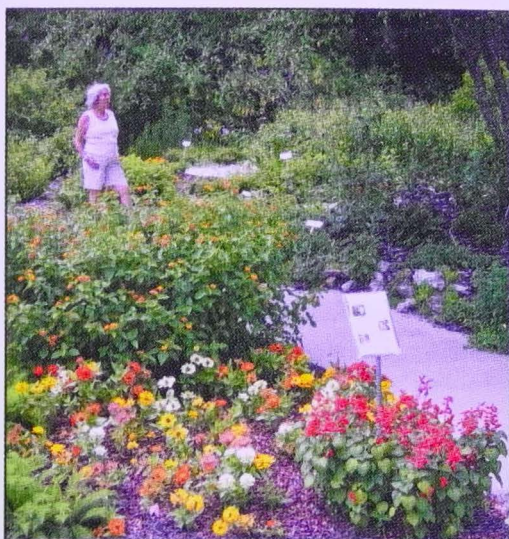
“house.” Collectively they refer to thatched dwellings that were the homes of the original human inhabitants of the forests bordering the lake. The old entrance road to Kanapaha Botanical Gardens originated as an Indian game trail and was the route taken by English naturalist William Bartram, whose extensive journals contain descriptions of the Lake Kanapaha area at the time of the American Revolution.

The paved walkways that traverse Kanapaha Botanical Gardens are wheelchair accessible. There are picnic facilities on the premises as well as a gift shop. Average tour time is 1 1/2 hours, but one can easily pass a leisurely afternoon exploring this 62 acre facility. The months of maximum color are June through September.

*A*t Kanapaha Botanical Gardens, a magnificent natural landscape has been enhanced by the introduction of rare and unusual plants from around the world. Giant snake arums, stately bamboos, rare and colorful vines, statuesque palms and giant water lilies are among the myriad botanical treasures that have been integrated into the meadows and lakeside forests of Kanapaha. Kanapaha is comprised of 25 specialty gardens including:

Butterfly Garden

Enjoy the ethereal beauty of these exquisite creatures as they flit among the masses of colorful flowers in a garden designed especially for them.



Vinery

Walk through ornamental lattice archways festooned with exotic flowering vines from the earth's farthest reaches. See passion flower, pelican flower, cypress vine, jasmines and more.

Hummingbird Garden

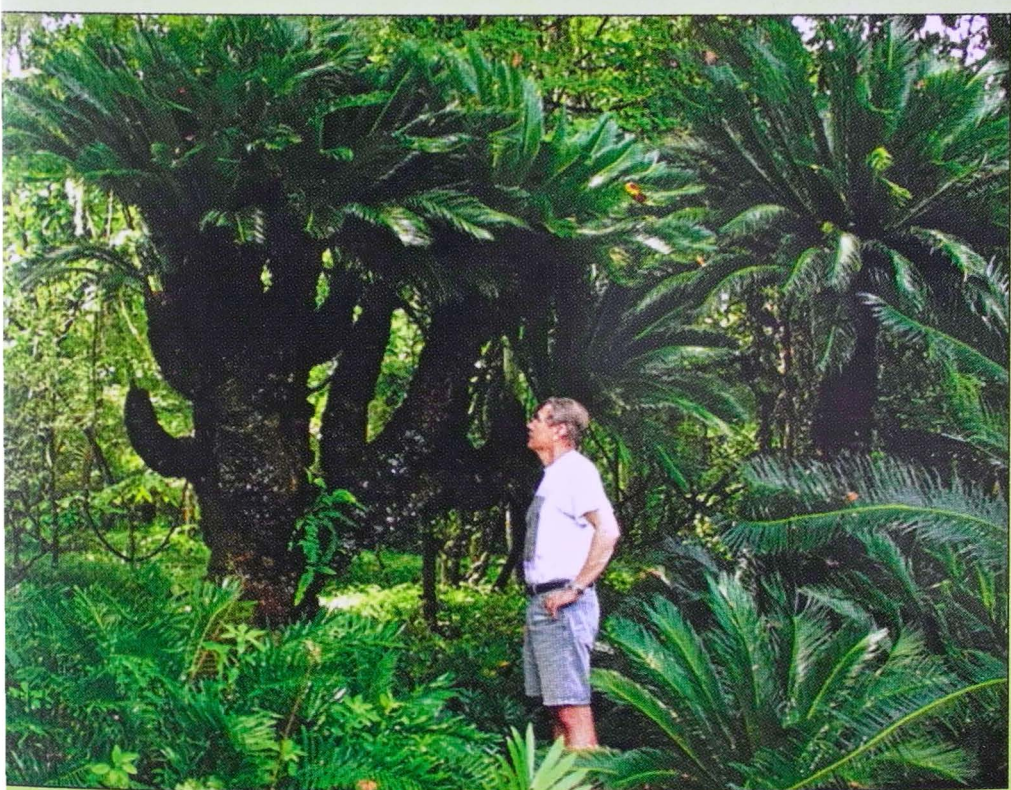
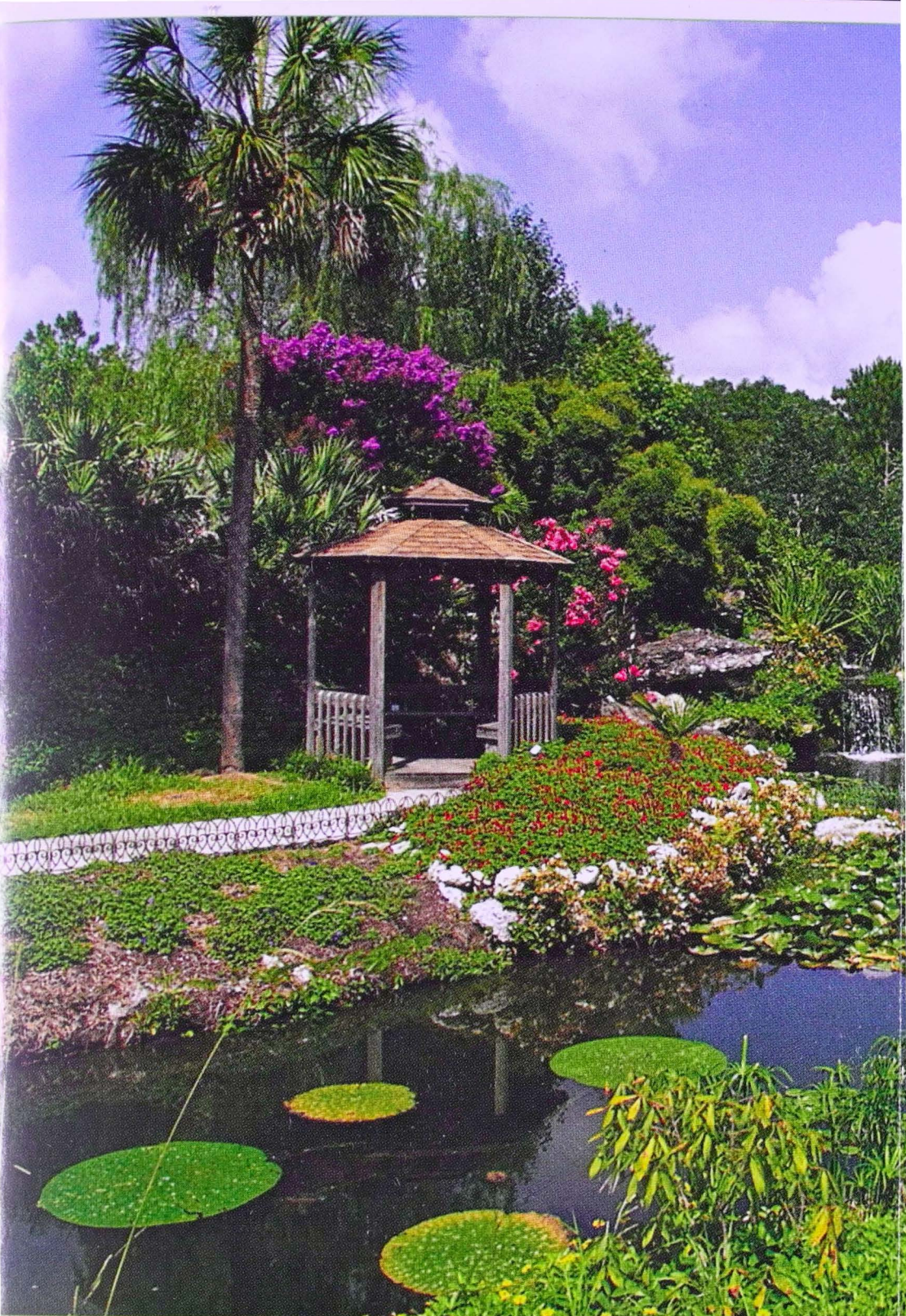
This collection features a large assemblage of plants- from annuals to trees- whose flowers attract hummingbirds (as well as butterflies). During the cooler part of the day, visitors may sit in the central gazebo and enjoy the aerial acrobatics of our smallest avian visitors.

Herb Garden

Kanapaha's herb garden includes one of the largest collections of medicinal plants in the Southeast. Get



acquainted with toothache tree, root beer plant, curry leaf, comfrey and the infamous Jamestown Weed.



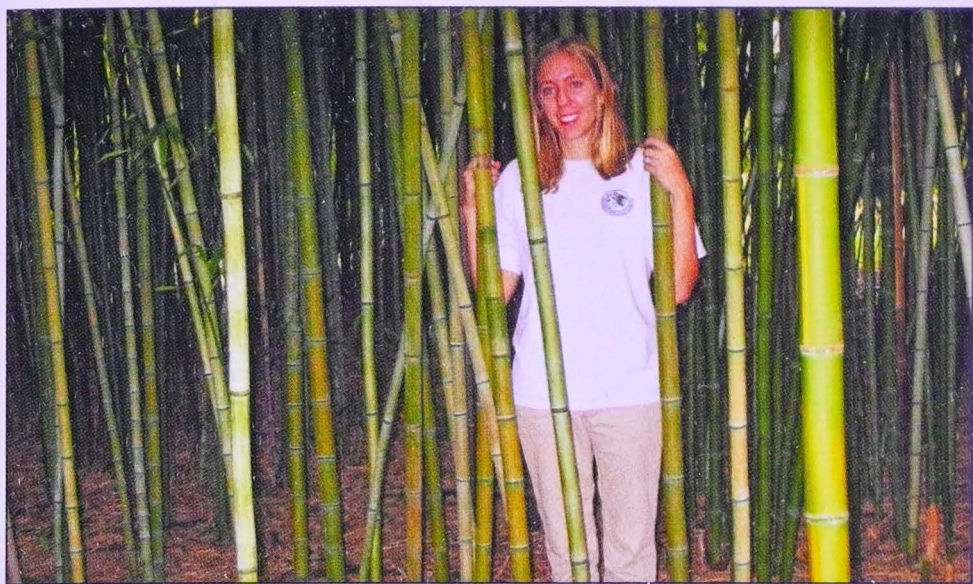


Water Gardens

Kanapaha's extensive water gardens include waterfalls, streams and display ponds. During the warm months, visitors can see water lilies, lotuses, papyrus, floating pea, horsetails and, in late summer, the spectacular giant Victoria, our planet's largest water lily.

Palm Hammock

Statuesque and elegant, palms are among the royalty of the plant kingdom. Kanapaha's extensive collection includes many hybrids as well as multiple crowned rarities.



Bamboo Garden

Florida's largest public collection of bamboos includes dwarf bamboo, giant timber bamboo, Chinese goddess, fernleaf bamboo, Buddha's belly bamboo and the incomparably elegant black bamboo. Visit during April and watch the shoots grow!

Rock Garden

The Rock Garden features a collection of desert plants displayed amongst huge boulders to create a stunning contrast of textures. Additionally, you will see the Crinum Garden, Azalea-Camellia Garden, Rose Garden, Arboretum, Spring Flower Garden, Cycad Garden and numerous smaller "vestpocket" gardens including the Fern Cobble, Carnivorous Plant Garden, Woodland Garden, and Cuong Ngu Oriental Garden. Kanapaha Botanical Gardens is a nature sanctuary and home to numerous forms of wildlife including Bald Eagles!



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HOURS

Kanapaha Botanical Gardens is open daily except
Thursdays at the following times: *

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday

9:00am-5:00pm

Saturday, & Sunday

9:00am-dusk or 7pm, whichever comes first

Closed Thursday

* Hours may vary on special event dates. To learn more
about our special events, visit www.kanapaha.org

ADMISSIONS

Adults	\$8.00
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Children 5-13	\$4.00
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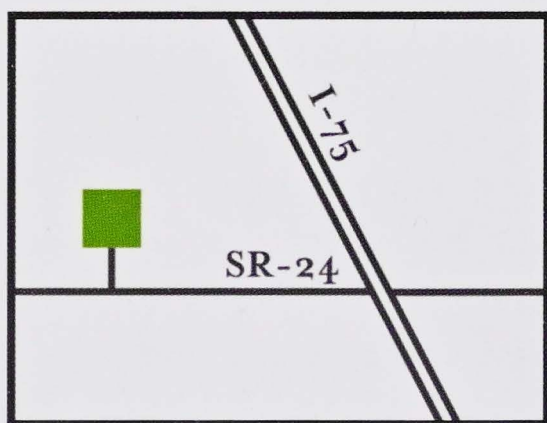
Children under 5	Free*
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*accompanied by parent

(Admission fee subject to change without notice)

LOCATION

Kanapaha Botanical Gardens is located on state
road 24 (Archer Road) 1.3 miles west of
I-75 (Exit no. 384).



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